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In re

Application of: Richert, et al.

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For: METHOD FOR OPERATING AN IN-LINE
COATING INSTALLATION

March 22, 2004

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows